



Behind Ma's Back.

"Pa," said little Harry, "after ma hit her thumb with the hammer today she says she suffered untold agony for ten minutes."

"My, my, my!" exclaimed the boy's father. "Wonders'll never cease. That's the first time she ever let anything go untold that long."—Chicago Times-Herald.

Twas Ever Thus.

If you earn a thousand nearly, You think two thousand yearly Would be just the proper figure to make your happiness complete; But your income when it doubles Only multiplies your troubles, For the outgo then increases, and the ends they still don't meet.—Chicago Daily News.

NO COMPULSION.



Smith—Say, Jones, I hear your wife makes you wash the dishes?
Jones—Oh, no. It's a mistake. I do it of my own free will!—N. Y. Journal.

Poetry and Prose.

"You're just a poem, May," I said, And I was right, you see, I knew the way she tossed her head She was averse to me.—Philadelphia Press.

Rural Cordiality.

"I hope I see you well," he said, fluently, to the old farmer leaning on his hoe.
"I hope you do," was the unexpected answer; "but if you don't see me well, young man, put on specs; they're a wonderful help to poor eyesight."—Tit-Bits.

A Starter.

Fond Mother—You say Mr. Willing objects to my presence in the parlor when he calls?
Daughter—Yes, mamma.
Fond Mother—I wonder why?
Daughter—I'm sure I don't know—unless he loves me for myself alone.—Chicago Daily News.

Not an Anarchist.

"I can take down all those fellows that call themselves great statesmen!" he boldly asserted.
He was not the boy orator eager for a political debate. He was not a professional anarchist.
He was a stenographer.—Town Topics.

All in One Day.

There was a young woman named Mae—Or, rather, she spelled it that way—But her pa she called "paw," And her ma she called "maw," And in other ways was such a jae!—Indianapolis Press.

WHEN CENTRAL GAVE UP.



Dolly—Hello! Hello! Give me Heaven! I want to say my prayers!—Scraps.

Cause and Effect.

After signing the temperance pledge, He laid aside his pen; And to his credit be it said—He never "smiled" again.—Chicago Daily News.

Mental Telepathy.

He heard a soft voice in the air Which told him he must follow—where? It led him to her door—and lo! She entertained another beau.—Indianapolis Journal.

Part of the Joy.

He—What makes you wear shoes that hurt your feet?
She—Dear me! If they didn't hurt me, I wouldn't remember that they were new.—Chicago Record.

Their Name is Legion.

Mr. Singer—You know the mosquito nets while he bores.
Miss Ringer—Well, there are others no bore while they sing.—Yonkers Stesman.

Measurement.

What is your idea of success in life, said the inquisitive man.
"I dunno," answered Senator Soham, reflectively. "I should say anything over \$500,000."—Washington Star.

When employed on Japanese tea farm, work 12 hours and are paid 15 cents a day.

Went Too Far.

Jilted Lover—Why, why do you give me up, Marguerite? Do I not carry out your slightest wish? I would give up my last penny for you—my last crust of bread—I would run my very feet off to do your bidding.
Marguerite—That's just it. I cannot bring myself to marry a man who is so easily led.—N. Y. World.

Honest Confession.

"Young man," said the careful father, "if I consent to your marrying my daughter, you will furnish her the luxuries to which she is accustomed?"
"Well," said the young man, "it is more than likely that I won't be buying her as many theater admissions as I have been doing for the past year."—Indianapolis Journal.

No Fun for the Parrot.

"Did you go to the girls' college benefit supper, major?"
"Yes, little gal."
"They say it was a circus, major."
"No, it wasn't, little gal. If it had only been a circus I could have bought a bag of rancid peanuts for a nickel, instead of paying 50 cents for a ball of burnt popcorn."—Chicago Daily News.

In Confidence.

Old Friend—You should always take your wife into your confidence. Women appreciate that sort of thing.
De Broker—Oh, I do that; that is, in part.
Old Friend—You tell her of your gains and losses, I presume?
De Broker—Um—I always tell her of my losses.—N. Y. Weekly.

Serene.

Nodd—This servant question is a great nuisance, isn't it?
Todd—Awful! But I'm out of it. My cook has been with us so long that she is just like one of the family.
"How long?"
"Two weeks."—Detroit Free Press.

Curiosities of Scholarship.

At advanced education he toils with a will, And the wondering neighbors draw near, Both Latin and Greek he can read with much skill,
But in English his spelling is queer.—Washington Star.

FEAR OF PARENTAL FURY.



"You remind me of an hour-glass."
"Help you pass away the time?"
"No; the later it gets the less sand you seem to have."—Chicago Chronicle.

Alas!

Though love may make the world go round, Our duty 'tis to speak; It won't repeat the miracle With Cholly's ten per week.—Puck.

Mean.

He—I always take pains to deny the statement that women can't throw straight.
She—That is noble of you, my dear.
He—Yes; I have to remember with what accurate and effective aim you throw yourself at me.—Chicago Record.

Good Reason for Asking.

Seedy Applicant—Won't you give me a penny, sir?
Corrupt Gent—A penny! Why do you ask me for a penny?
Seedy Applicant—Because I didn't think you'd give it me unless I asked for it.—Stray Stories.

The Usual Way.

Lady—It seems to me these berries are rather small.
Pedler—I'm sure they have got their full growth, ma'am.
Lady—Well, I'm sure your quart boxes haven't got theirs.—Chicago Daily News.

Human Nature.

He vows with all the cynic's arts And says he is blasé—But for the circus straight he starts When the band begins to play.—Washington Star.

FROM HIS POINT OF VIEW.



Tommy—Pop, what is a bigamist?
Papa Henpeck—A fool.—St. Louis Globe Democrat.

The Story of Love.

Love is an old, old story, But ne'er was a mortal who Hath not at some time told it, And thought it was something new.—Chicago Times-Herald.

The Crocususes of Prussia.

The 17 wealthiest persons in Prussia own together \$250,000,000.

COTTON BROKERS ASSIGN.

Price, McCormick & Co., of New York City, Fall—Liability Estimate at About \$13,000,000.

New York, May 25.—Price, McCormick & Co., one of the largest brokerage houses in the city, failed, with liabilities estimated at \$13,000,000. The firm is a member of the stock, cotton and produce exchanges and has branch offices in about 30 cities throughout the United States. The failure is ascribed to the fact that the firm was long on cotton in the face of a fast falling market. A notice on the doors of the offices of the company referred all inquirers to Wm. J. Curtis and Wm. N. Cromwell, assignees. Mr. Cromwell said it was impossible to make a statement concerning the condition of the firm; that its business is very extended and covers several branch agencies. The total liabilities, he said, are about \$13,000,000, nearly all of which was secured. He added that a statement would be submitted to creditors at the earliest possible date.

The firm is composed of Theodore H. Price, William G. McCormick, R. G. M. Stewart-Wortley and Walter W. Price, with George Crocker, of San Francisco, a special partner on an investment of \$500,000. Mr. McCormick is of the well-known Chicago family of agricultural implement fame, and Mr. Stewart-Wortley is a son-in-law of Rear Adm. Schley. The firm was organized January 2, 1897. Of the partners, Mr. Crocker is now in Europe and Mr. Stewart-Wortley is on his way back from Europe.

ST. LOUIS EXPOSITION.

House Committee Will Report the Bill Without Recommendation, Favorable or Unfavorable.

Washington, May 25.—The house committee on the Louisiana purchase exposition to be held at St. Louis in 1903, Thursday afternoon voted to report the exposition bill to the house without recommendation, favorable or unfavorable.

Representative Steele, of Indiana, first moved to postpone action for the present session, which was defeated two to four.

Representative Joy, of St. Louis, then moved to report the bill favorably, which was lost on a tie vote, three to three. In view of the tie, a motion prevailed to report the bill without recommendation in order that the house may act finally on the subject. The bill as prefaced pledges the government to an appropriation of \$5,000,000, and allows the government a proportionate share of the proceeds of the enterprise.

A NEW CREED.

Action Taken to Learn the Views of the Presbyteries—Dr. Noble Made Permanent Clerk.

St. Louis, May 25.—The Presbyterian general assembly elected Dr. William B. Noble, of California, as permanent clerk, over Dr. E. T. Swiggett, of Morrow, O.

After long discussion the assembly voted to adopt the report of the committee of bills and overtures, which provides for the appointment of a committee of 15 to inquire of the various presbyteries their views regarding a revision of the creed and to report to the next general assembly. Dr. Dickey, the moderator, was made chairman of the committee. The report was adopted by a large majority.

TRUTH MAY SOON BE KNOWN.

Legal Proceedings Begun That Will Ascertain If the Plague Exists in San Francisco.

San Francisco, May 25.—Judge Morrow issued an order directing the board of health of this city to show cause why an injunction should not be granted restraining that body from interfering with the freedom and liberties of the Chinese of this city and those desiring to leave it.

An embargo was placed upon the Chinese and Japanese residents of the city on the ground that the plague was prevalent, and it is expected that the proceedings just commenced will show conclusively whether or not the disease is present in this city.

The Detroit in Bad Condition.

Portsmouth, N. H., May 25.—The United States steamer Detroit, which went out of commission here, has been found to be in a very bad condition. The plates about her rudder-head were seriously defective, and there were 23 inches of water in her hold. Fires have been started, and the pumps put in operation on board, and they will be kept going until the necessary repairs can be made.

Judge Advocate of Porto Rico.

Albany, N. Y., May 25.—It is understood here on excellent authority that President McKinley has offered to Charles T. Saxton, formerly lieutenant governor of the state and at present judge of the court of claims, the position of judge advocate of the island of Porto Rico. He probably will accept.

Lipton's Liberal Offer.

New York, May 25.—A cablegram has been received by the New York Yacht club from Sir Thomas Lipton, increasing his offer of \$500 to \$1,000 for a cup or prize money to be competed for by any class the club may select.

Japanese Children in Custody.

New York, May 25.—Three Japanese children, a girl and two boys, were taken into custody by the Gerry society upon the belief that they were either kidnapped or bought in Japan and sent to this country.

ARMY OF THE POTOMAC.

The President and Party Attended the Memorial Services Held at Fredericksburg, Va.

Fredericksburg, Va., May 26.—Fair weather favored the presidential party in their visit to the memorial services of the army of the Potomac here Friday. It was distinctly Confederate weather, however, with more gray than blue in the sky. The special train from Washington arrived at 11:10, and found the whole population of the staid old Virginia town grouped about the depot or massed along the main street with the national colors in evidence everywhere. The special carried all the members of the cabinet except Secretary Wilson. There were also in the party Gen. Nelson A. Miles, his chief aide, Col. Michler; Gen. Joseph Wheeler, former adjt. Gen. Ruggles, who was colonel of the president's old regiment during the war, and the marine band.

The train was met at Quantico by a reception committee from Fredericksburg, consisting of Hon. Horace F. Crisman, Maj. T. P. Morris and Postmaster John M. Griffin, who accompanied the presidential party to Fredericksburg, where they were turned over to the hospitalities of the local committee.

The procession formed at the depot and headed by the Marine band moved at once to the courthouse, where the public exercises were held and an official welcome tendered to the Society of the Potomac. The address of welcome was delivered by St. George R. Fitzhugh, and the response was made by Gen. Martin T. E. McMahon. The oration of the day was then delivered by Gen. Daniel E. Sickles.

The exercises at the court house were followed by a luncheon served in the opera house to the members of the society, the ladies and invited guests. This was over by 2 o'clock, after which the president held a brief reception at the residence of Mr. St. George R. Fitzhugh, before the party proceeded to the National cemetery for the ceremonies incident to the cornerstone laying of the Fifth corps' monument.

The cornerstone of the monument was laid by Gen. Daniel E. Butterfield. He had prepared for the occasion a handsome silver trowel appropriately inscribed, and after the ceremony this was presented to the Masonic lodge of Fredericksburg.

DYNAMITERS SENTENCED.

Life Imprisonment for the Men Who Attempted to Wreck a Lock in the Welland Canal.

Welland, Ont., May 26.—Karl Dullman, residence unknown; John Walsh and John Nolin, of Dublin, Ireland, but latterly of Washington, D. C., and Richmond, Va., were convicted of having attempted to wreck lock 24 of the Welland canal with dynamite, and sentenced to imprisonment for life in Kingston penitentiary. Walsh and Nolin were the active participants in the crime, having lowered two valves filled with dynamite, and with fuses attached, along the lock, but, owing to a mistake in calculating the distance to the water's edge, the force of the explosion was minimized and the damage was trifling. Dullman accompanied the men to Niagara Falls, and directed proceedings from there.

SHOUTED "GOOD-BY."

An Unknown Priest Dramatically Jumps Into the Whirlpool Below Niagara Falls.

Niagara Falls, N. Y., May 26.—An unknown priest, supposed to be from New York city, committed suicide at the whirlpool rapids. He descended the elevator, and, after having his picture taken, walked out on a rock, threw his hat and came back of him and, waving his right hand dramatically, shouted "Good-by!" and leaped into the rushing water.

He ordered the pictures sent to M. J. O'Donnell, New York city, who is said to be pastor of St. Andrew's church. He has two assistants, Rev. W. J. Steward and Rev. Edward S. Leonard, and it is believed here that the suicide is one of these. The dead priest was about 50 years old.

Russia—Preparing for War.

St. Petersburg, May 26.—A plan for the defense of Manchuria has been drawn up. Six fortified posts will be erected. For the purpose of strategic study Gen. Sacharoff, chief of the Russian general staff, will start for Manchuria at the end of the month, accompanied by eight high Russian officers, to prepare for a possible conflict with Japan.

Woman and Servant Drowned.

Huntsville, Ala., May 26.—Mrs. Will Swope, an accomplished young woman of Rocky Hill, and her servant girl, attempted to drive a buggy across Big Nance creek at Courtland and were washed away and drowned. The creek was out of banks, and Mrs. Swope was warned not to attempt to cross it.

Two Rounds of Fast Fighting.

New York, May 26.—Joe Gans, of Baltimore, knocked out Dan Hawkins, of California, at the Broadway Athletic club, in two rounds of the fastest fighting ever seen in the club-house. The men were scheduled to go 25 rounds.

Army Bill Doomed.

Washington, May 26.—Chairman Hall, of the house committee on military affairs, stated definitely that owing to the lateness of the session it would be impossible to consider the bill to increase the army's efficiency.

WIGGINS [2] 2:19½.

Bay horse; 15 hands 3 inches; foaled 1893.

By ABERDEEN, sire of Kentucky Union 2:07½, Dentine (4) 2:13½, Alabama (4) 2:15, and sixty-three others in 2:30.

1st dam, ALBINA DE MER (dam of Wiggins (2) 2:19½, Mabel Montepenny (2) 2:30, her first two colts trained), by STAMBOUL 2:07½, son of Sultan 2:24.
2d dam, BELLE BLANCHE, by THE MOOR 870, sire of Beautiful Wells (dam of 8 in 2:30 list), Sultan 2:24, etc.
3d dam, BELLE VIEW MAID (dam of Center 2:29½), by Idol 177.
4th dam by PILOT, JR., sire of dams of Maud S. 2:08½, Jay-Eye-See 2:10, etc.
5th dam by MAMBRINO MESSENGER.

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SCARLET WILKES,

2:22 1-2, Trial 2:14 1-4.)

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by Red Wilkes.

1st dam Tipsey, (dam of The Shah 2:10½, Scarlet Wilkes 2:22½, Glen Mary 2:25 and Glen Wood, sire of Glen Arthur 2:14, and Gipsy B. 2:17, by Alcide; 2nd dam Mary Weaver (dam of Don 2:22, Robin M. 2:24½ and Mary B. 2:29, by Vermont Black Hawk.

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PEDIGREE:

[Recorded with pedigree in the Percheron Stud-Book of America.]

Gray; foaled October 20, 1892; got by STRADAT 7112 (2463); dam Abydos 950 (265) by ROMULUS 873 (785); 2d dam Elise by DUKE-DE-CHARTRES 162 (721).

STRADAT 7112 (2463) by Passe-Partout (1402) out of Biche (12004) by a son of Coco II (714).

PASSE-PARTOUT (1402) by Comet 104 (719) out of Sophie by Favori I (711), he by Vieux-Chaslin (713) out of L'Amie by Vieux-Pierre (894), he by Coco (712).

COMET 104 (719) by French Monarch 205 (734) out of Suzanne by Cambronne.

FRENCH MONARCH 205 (734) by Ilderim (5302) out of a daughter of Vieux-Pierre (894), etc.

ILDERIM (5302) by Valentin (5301) out of Chafon by Vieux-Pierre (894), etc.

VALENTIN (5301) by Vieux-Chaslin (713), he by Coco (712) out of Poule by Sandi.

COCO (712) by Mignon (715) out of Pauline by Vieux-Coco.

MIGNON (715) by Jean-le-Blanc (739).

COCO II (714) by Vieux-Chaslin (713), etc., out of La Grise by Vieux-Pierre (894).

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